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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph on Page 21 at Lines 15-28 with the following paragraph rewritten in amendment format:

In the preferred embodiment, the system 100 is an asynchronous CDMA system that utilizes imbedded time delays as described in co-pending patent application Serial No. [[]] 09/550,505 now U.S. Patent 6,963,548, filed [[]] April 17, 2000 and entitled "Coherent Synchronization of Code Division Multiple Access Signals," which is hereby incorporated by reference. In accordance with the preferred system, the signals 112, 114 from each transponder 102, 104 will arrive completely in-phase because appropriate time delays are pre-determined and applied to the signals 112, 114 at the central hub 100, as is shown in Figure 9. It should be understood that other time delay methods can also be utilized.